

"Put Up Or Shut Up"

(feat. Krumbsnatcha)

[Premier scratch:] "This mic in my hand, I'm rulin!"

[Verse 1: Guru]

Stupid, you know it's time to sit and think, before we hit the brink Lockerroom, at a prize fight, before he hit the ring Like when I tell these corporate leeches they can't get a thing Or when I tell relentless rappers they had better sing The position that anyone holds could be up to grabs I'm waitin up the ave to see if anyone folds Since I was twenty-one years old and legal I knew the difference between gimmicky gangsters and powerful people I'm the reason, why the game is flipped I'm the reason, why your aim is missed I'm the reason why you're mad I only sprained my wrist The reason my mindframe is trained in this You like gunfire? Better acquire the taste Cuz youf walk aroun' with full pounds by dem waist Deface property, they be laced properly Rules are rules, fools are fools, I react logically Ain't no way, so come, make my day Like Tom Hanks I earn long bank and +Cast+ you +Away+

[Premier scratching]
"This mic in my hand, I'm rulin!"
"I repeat, this is not a question"

[Chorus: Guru (Krumbsnatcha)]
Oh you brag about the ki's you flipped and who you done up Nigga whattup? (Put up or shut up!)
Poppin shit about the chicks and the whips you got You think you hot? (Uh-uh, man - you put up or shut up!)
Always talkin bout your dough and your wealth and fame Youse a lame (Get out of here - put up or shut up!)
You got hot beats and kids that can spit mad fire?
Youse a liar! (That's whack - put up or shut up!)

[Premier sample:] "This mic in my hand, I'm rulin!"

[Verse 2: Guru]

Aiyyo I've seen the toughest of tough guys, the roughest of guys
Get reduced of their juice against the wall like small fries
All rise, it's time to do the damn thing
I'm all wise, my mind exercise like handsprings
Crazy degrees of difficulties
Remain mackin chicks, O.G. shit, the ten prixs(?)
Please, you know my peoples want a lot, the corner's hot

We gettin love on y'all block
And that's gangsta, but a lot of shit ain't
Believe me it ain't easy like you sleazy niggaz think
Uneasy niggaz blink, when I step to the stage
And don't flinch, don't move a inch, I'm bout to empty the gauge
I've witnessed the bad shit, sickness and sadness
Always dreamed about what I would do, if I had shit
Drop jewels infinite for the blind deaf and dumb
Down with M.O.P. and Bumpy plus I just left Krumb

[Verse 3: Krumbsnatcha] But I'm back.. ha, fresh out of the max And I'm gettin at you cats Aiyyo popped out the beast, met The Ownerz with the lease Soldifyin contracts over dope beats Learned a whole lot up in these streets Like when to talk, when to spark, and when not to speak I do the one before a gun come out Plus y'all don't really wanna see Krumb dumb out A ghetto doctrine to watch every pistol pop And then while you watchin examine all options Young bodies in the coffin more often It stay the same from Brooklyn to Boston Every interstate, more youth with the inner hate Deep in the struggle, puttin food on they dinner plate Hungry W.O.L.V.E.S. that roll thick in packs And pray on you cats with the gangstafied raps Extortion, only gettin left with abortion Pullin out tools on them fools who be flossin

[Chorus]

"Werdz From The Ghetto Child"

(feat. Smiley)

[Smiley] Aiyyo I got the dimes that I get, I got the dimes that I bring [Preem'] Yo, yo yo

[Smiley] Yo Preem', what's good?

[Preem'] What's good man - you still fuckin with that shit son?
[Smiley] Yo, don't even come at me with that bullshit man, whassup?
[Preem'] I'm sayin man, you said you was gonna leave this shit alone
[Preem'] You still on that bullshit nigga

[Smiley] Son.. SON I'll leave it alone

[Smiley] when you come and get ready with this music B, what the fuck? [Preem'] I'm sayin man, who the fuck you think you are man?

[Smiley] Yo, yo

Yo gangsta gangsta, O.G. is what you call me It's like my life is like a never-endin drug story Make coke, expand, yo you know who I am Death percentages rises in the hood like grams Who done it and ran, who blammed on my fam' Out the window every night, deadly intentions man Cocked back and ready to fire, hit man for hire And fuck politicians, nothin but liars As I build my cream, with self esteem But drink the water from the streams, of gangsta lean To keep food on my plate, stick a mac to your face So I never have to fall off, so you can never underrate Force pressure, is the techniques of real men So when you slam the doors, we still get in It's like demons when, what you fight that you can't see'll come out your buildin, and get shot drastically The way of the world, niggaz fiendin to pull it

You either bite the dust, or just dodge that bullet

### "Sabotage"

[DJ Premier scratching]
"I want the public to know.. what goes on"
"I mean, look at the situation - be real"

### [Verse 1: Guru]

The names have been changed to protect the innocent Each step is intricate, I rep magnificent Knew this kid named Ronnie, used to make cash with Caesar They made a lot of money back in the 80's crack fever Caesar was an overachiever, a kingpin and 18-and-a-half He got knocked and left Ronnie to watch the team and the stash Plus his crib, his jewels, his whip and his girl And Ronnie's self-interests had him livin in a different world He rocked Caesar's chains, he put Caesar's rings Smokin mad wools all day, with Caesar's change Not to mention he pushed up on Caesar's wifey A move like that my man, extremely sheisty It all got back to Caesar in the bing They found Ronnie's body in the playground by the swings Anyone can get it, for sure it don't matter dawg Especially when a nigga tries commitin sabotage

[Premier scratching Guru samples]

"There ain't nobody to trust"

"It's got me ready.. ready.. ready.. ready to bust"

"It's like sabotage, there ain't nobody to trust"

""It's like sabotage"

"It's got me ready.. ready.. ready.. ready to bust"

#### [Verse 2: Guru]

Treachery, deception, it's best to keep a weapon When you think that they be breddern, they underhand your plan It's over for the cowardly, we grow more potent hourly I'm knowin where the power be, I'm schemin to get even Dissension can occur from within one's ranks The chain can be weakened, by just one link Pricks be galavantin from one crew to the next Musical click-ass niggaz catch two to the chest My usual guess is that they chose to digress Disillusioned by greed, causin you to distress Just do what's best, clean house, leave out Them punks can't touch what they can't peep out See I'm a raw nigga, and like my pops I'm a lawgiver Can't throw a wrench in my game, I'm a boss figure Take you under my wing, it don't matter God Dead you if you try to commit, sabotage Rise for me now, kneel for me now

Time to pass judgment, can't feel for you now
Lay in your bed, accept your fate
Try to clean it up, except you're late
From the streets to the industry, peep the chemistry
It's GangStarr shit, makin a livin see
We put it on and when it's war it's war
Sabotage'll have me dumpin the four [gunshots richochet]

[Premier scratching Guru samples]
"There ain't nobody to trust"
""It's like sabotage"

#### "Rite Where U Stand"

(feat. Jadakiss)

"Wh-wh-what can I say? Let me explain this to you..."

### [GangStarr]

Yo, I don't even wanna fight with you man I'll lay you right where you stand You can catch a few shells One go right through your polo, man Usually I'm dolo and I gotta crazy team Car kissed the ride on you, watch for the laserbeam Shit, it's that Ol' G Flavor Remind you of a guarter bodega and that oldie behavior All point but I ain't tryna scuffle with chumps My long joints got the culture power plus the double pump Troublesome, to anyone who stands in the way I'll stand and I'll spray, FUCK if ya man is in the way Your girl want me cuz I do it better than you The whole world wants me nigga, I'ma legend to you Like LL, Rakim, Ice-T and them niggaz Like Cube, Snoop and Dre, I'ma be seenin them figures It don't matter, you don't have to be likin me man Keep playin, you'll be layin there, right where you stand

#### [Chorus: Jadakiss]

Gun on my waist, knife in my hand
I keep tellin you cowards, I'ma leave you there right where you stand
I don't wanna talk and I ain't tryna wanna fight with ya man
Tryna get it over quick, leave you right where you stand
Some say I'm trifflin, sometimes I'm rightfully am
But I don't give a fuck, I'ma leave you right where you stand
You just mad, you will never be as nice as I am
D-Block, GangStarr leave you right where you stand, what

# [Jadakiss]

You wanna know why I invest all my money into haze and into dope
Cuz right now, I'm currently a slave for Interscope
Respect first, then money - basic shit
If you got niggaz under pressure, you could take they shit
Listen, I'ma leave you right where you stand
Have the ambulance pass ya Timberlands off right to ya man
Cuz he pussy, he ain't gonna do nothin but look
When it come to beef, he don't wanna do nothing but cook
As soon as the chrome scope him, right there, two in the dome
Smokin, Kiss keep funeral homes open
I fall back, smoke an ounce in the dark
Bounce on a Preme track like I bounce on a NARC
Keep playin, y'all niggaz will burn

and you know they say it takes somethin to happen for niggaz to learn

Let the .40 Cal give em a perm

This industry is like bacteria and my flow is a germ

Just mad cuz you'll never be as nice as I am

J to the mwah and I'll leave you right where you stand, huh...

"You gangstas is cosmetic..."

"Keep playin, you'll be layin there, right where you stand..."

"My people from the hood stay on the grind..."

"D-Block, GangStarr leave you right where you stand, what..."

"You gangstas is cosmetic..."

"W-w-w-w-w-word..."

[GangStarr] I see you got the fear of God in you We'll tear your heart in two Too bad you didn't know what you got into Yeah, the most righteous, till Malcolm got a close likeness My name carry weight to capitate most vipers Hot rhymes, spit a dime, hit a case beater Flow is angry like I'm in your face with heaters Chasin divas - nah, I don't ever have to do that P.I. till I die and I laugh at you cats You happy perhaps cuz you got dough and bitches But no love from streets only for moles and snitches Only from the meatlapin, suckers won't see it happen Cross that line, then it's time for the heat clappin I do my thing like the whole planet depends on me I got game to make Janet wanna spend on me Some say I'm trifflin and sometimes I'm rightfully am Getcha man, I'll lay him right where he stand

[Chorus]

"Skills"

[Intro:]
Skills, skills, skills

[DJ Premier Scratching]
"My Microphone"
"It's Skills"-[KRS One]
"The funky beat"
"It's skills"-[KRS One]

[Chorus: Guru]
(Skills) Top rank point blank we vital
Spit flows rip shows peep the recital
(Skills) Now, you feel it when we drop those
Hot beats stop phoes killin shit we got those
(Skills) It's, the music that the street love
Each thug, is now reppin this with deep love
(Skills) Gang Starr duelin again rulin again
Watch as we do it again

[Verse 1: Guru]

It's the, true enliven with a youthful vengeance And I'm a judge rap is your ass give you a crucial sentence You need at least twelve jewels to practice Your too enthusiastic male groupie bastard Still tryin to convince us some more Pretendin your raw that's what you need a minister for Again it's the law got you up against the wall We the gulliest fuck it then it's us against y'all Mic skills type grills like I'm Michael Jill Like when he write for the pill is how I stay for the ill Slide off kid, and let a grown man finesse it We bold and impressive that old manifest shit Some new product from a known team Niggas know me, and you can bet they know Preme So here we go for your stereo And you could tell that it's real when you hear me go hear me go

[Chorus: Guru]

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#### [Verse 2: Guru]

You little suckers know better, I go head up If your man left the joint in the whip then tell him go get it We hold it down like a holy crown Fools actin like they know me throw me phoney pounds Fuck that I'm sittin back like an aristocrat Shell shocked chief assasin with a whole fuckin list of cats Thought you was on the case but you missed the fact The bitch talkin this and that I'm a make it simple jack I doubled up and tripled that, soldiers where your pistols at? Life wrong move lose the gift of that Why they callin us the most consistent? Most significant ("Once again"-Chuck D) some old slick shit Fulfill your need and catch joyful rush Enjoy your dutch haters annoyed with us Oh boy it's us you know the face in the club Blazin it up, with my niggas raisin it up for these

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## [Verse 3: Guru]

Btohers are amused by other brother's rep
Some niggas pull tecks catch others for checks
All for respect, all for the bread
For the chance of success they might hand him his head
Remain humble cause I know enough
Plus the road is tough especially when you roll with us
But I'm a stay with my peeps, stay in these streets
Rhyme sprayin and I'm playin for keeps cause I got those

#### [Chorus: Guru]

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### "Deadly Habitz"

#### [Guru]

Yeah, bout to talk about some serious shit
Deadly habits, you know everybody's got 'em
Just that some niggaz try to front, try to cover shit up
But fuck that, I be wylin sometimes - you know why?
Cause suckers be thinkin that shit is sweet
Niggaz be thinkin that rap niggaz ain't real, haha
Yeah well that's aight, that's aight
Let 'em think what they want

#### [Verse 1: Guru]

Yo I'm steady at it, them deadly habits I pray for the best outcome son, but my dome's already shattered By the shit that's occurred Drivin home tipsy from the club, puffin herb, vision blurred Thinkin bout them niggaz who caught the drop Who I gotta stop, who he caught, and who still gotta get popped Stash box, feelin like Fish in "King of New York" Wifey do her thing for the God, she don't be bringin me pork Cause there's enough deadly shit a brother be facin Up in V.I.P., niggaz drinks they be lacin Got a nigga sweatin pacin, not ready to fall the fuck up But ready to pull out, and back 'em all the fuck out And my guardian angel, is always there to protect And my supreme nature, keeps all them savages in check How the hell did everything get so twisted They say be careful what you pray for, so I guess now it's this shit

### [Chorus: Guru]

They will never know - what I do to get by
And them many times I almost died
They will never know - all the reasons why I flip
And now I gotta keep an extra clip
They will never know - what this stress is like
And why I'm on point, ready to fight
They will never know - all the pressure and pain
Don't give a fuck if they think less of me mayne

# [Verse 2: Guru]

Deadly habits, they could be a number of things
Everybody got 'em, some people do ugly things
Excessive behaviour, it can get the best of you
Trust me, I'm a lot like the rest of you
I got issues, that haven't been resolved
You know like, money people owe me while they out havin a ball
(Mmm) Guess they too got deadly habits
Got me on a mission, to go and merk, each and every faggot

Manager's coked up, A&R's all doped up
Old school style, have 'em gagged up and roped up
Those deadly habits have me losin my cool
But yo the Son can't chill, so I'ma be abusin them fools
Pull the plug on 'em, pull the rug on 'em
Have 'em callin up, all their closest thug friends
Them niggaz can get it too
This GangStarr shit is too deep, to even get into
So fuck you!

### [Chorus]

[Verse 3: Guru]

Fuck you wanna do, we way past 7:30 Be easy, too many brothers seem to go to heaven early It's hell in these streets, but soon I'm on a hot streak Who's in the hot seat, who had a felony beef Yo I beat cases, with different attorneys And I laughed at the racist DA's, who were wishin to burn me My mom caught a heart attack, around the same time News articles were published, around the same time This depressed me more, but I stayed in tact And that last corny chick I was with, she got played in fact I know niggaz that did dumb time, and dumb crimes I fuck with real niggaz, and never cowards with dumb minds This country's got us in a fix America, your deadly habits, got us all up in the mix War without, war within, holy war, mortal sin Tell me - huh, what's the origin?

[Chorus]

"Nice Girl, Wrong Place" (feat. Boy Big)

# [Boy Big]

You're just a nice girl, in the wrong place Just a nice nice girl girl, in the wrong place

#### [Guru]

What's a nice girl like you doing in a place like this? You wanna take my chips, I wanna take you on trips So you can help me, get my money Go ahead, try it for me here's the story of my honey I'm the Owner and I'll do more than bone you Maybe help you advance, like Prince did Apollonia You looking right I see you hooking tonight But something about you, got me pushing up tight Do that dance like Aphrodite cause you mighty You might be the chick that make me trip just slightly Ya eyes glisten, your breasts, ass and thighs is hittin If it ain't love, then this thug is just smitten I feel ya aura like I'm reading ya horo--scope, and I hope that I can see you tomorrow Remembering your face like this, my Henney chase like this What you doing in a place like this?

#### [Chorus: Boy Big]

You're just a nice girl, in the wrong place And I think I'm diggin you in a major way You're just a nice girl, in the wrong place Yeah yeah, yeah yeah, yeah yeah Whatcha doin in a place like this?

#### [Guru]

What's a nice girl like you doing here like this? Busting your heels like this, I know you feel like shit And you feel like calling the quits, but you need that dough Paying for school, I can see that yo You're intelligent, similar to Angelo I'm understanding you, I got big plans for you Your whole awaistance got you going places You chasing money, ain't no funny faces You're/Your shit serious, niggaz is delirious I like your little outfit, I like the way you're wearin it You say your last man was too jealous You're too young to settle down, girl I'll let you tell it You're not a video chick, not a groupie bitch Just an ambitious young woman with juicy lips Remembering your face like this, my Henney chase like this What you doing in a place like this

### [Chorus]

### [Guru]

What's a nice lady doing in place so shady? Your innocent stare and derriere so crazy Conversation stimulating, you witty You got me debating on, taking you with me I'm in the back drinking Yak, with you on my lap Give me a dance cause, this is my track You holdin it down for your whole fam You wasn't happy with your last old man Ma, you're doing things your way You're making your own pay Gotta have a business of your own one day Hon it ain't nothing to it, I wanna see you do it I'll tell you one thing, your last man blew it A perfect blend of, beauty and brains It's my duty to explain what you do to me and Remembering your face like this, my Henney chase like this What you doing in a place like this?

[Boy Big sings til end]

Now that I see that you be gettin ya money
You look prime time, I know you be gettin ya money
You look so fine, you've changed my mind
And all I wanna know is why, why?

Just a nice girl...

"Peace Of Mine"

[DJ Premier]

Aiyyo, what the FUCK is this shit that y'all are listenin to nowadays on the radio man? You call that shit hip-hop?

THAT'S SOME FAGGOT BITCH SHIT Y'ALL ARE LISTENIN TO!

All you DJ's are lettin the program directors handcuff you and sit there and tell you how to mix?! YOU FUCKIN ROBOTS!

FUCK Y'ALL!!!

[Guru]

Real talk, serious thoughts

True and livin with a youthful vengeance, yo

[Primo:] "Trust me, I'm as live as it gets"

[Guru]

At times I feel like my back's against the wall And if y'all ain't with me, then it's me against y'all I stand my ground, that's what I was taught While others stand around, I hold it down like a fort In the midst of war, I find peace within Run, lock your doors, don't let the beast get in The mind is a terrible thing to waste I show love cause it's a terrible thing to hate Of course I want money, but I won't compromise Y'all don't realize, think I won't bomb you guys? With the truth nigga, stop misleadin the youth nigga Too many wakes and funerals, that's the proof nigga Our hood's in danger, kids need guidance You keep lyin, still the young keep dyin As I walk through the valley I fear none, yes I'm the chairman Here with my nigga Premier son And we came to change the game We represent the pain that's real talk, what's y'all claim to fame? Rappers simply tracin flows and chasin hoes Frontin mad hard, that shit's amazin yo Producers makin Tinkerbell beats for them to rhyme on Their ass if they get on the same stage that I'm on Our shit be rugged, like the New York streets Make the wrong move stupid then you lose your seat Cats be buyin up SoundScans to beef up sales Niggaz wanna crossover, wanna be upscale Fuck that, that ain't hip-hop, that's somethin else You're better off back on the ave doin somethin else All you suckers claimin that you are, thug or gangsta You disrespect the game by dry-snitchin you prankster I thank y'all for makin more room for us, uhh Ashes to dust you wonder who's to trust

My sense of self, and my mental health is much more powerful, than any hint of wealth A lot of niggaz get cash, and collect Mercedes But neglect their ladies, and forget their babies Then the chicks turn and act like dudes Cause they reflect our light, so yo act right fool And this is just a piece of my mind, a thesis of mine I'ma make moves and I'ma leave you behind At times I feel like my back's against the wall And if y'all ain't with me, then it's me against y'all I stand my ground, that's what I was taught While others stand around, I hold it down like a fort In the midst of war, I find peace within Run, lock your doors, don't let the beast get in The mind is a terrible thing to waste I show love cause it's a terrible thing to hate

[Primo:] "Trust me, I'm as live as it gets" "My flow is like.." ".. as live as it gets"

[Primo:] "Trust me, I'm as live as it gets"
 [Primo:] "Trust me, I'm as live.."
"My flow is like.." ".. as live as it gets"

"Who Got Gunz" (feat. Fat Joe, M.O.P.)

[Fat Joe]
yeah uh, GangStarr
Crack Man, M.O.P. uh, BX, Brooknam, haha come on
living legends, ya heard me?
yeah uh yo uh

I got seven Mac 11's about eight .38 Nine nines, Mac 10's man this shit never end Even if the apple won't spin I reach in my back pocket and blast you and his twin Niggaz yellin out the window "Joe's at it again" But this bastard's got lawyers, keep him outta the pen I mean feds wanna knock me just cuz I'm cocky An arrogant fuck, wave "Hi" when they watch me Can't stop me everytime official Better find my residuals or this nine gon' lift you "He was a fine individual" what the papers scriptured Had him on the front page in his graduation pictures And they probably never hit you if you brought your glock Me and my gat like Wilson, we all we got We walk the scorchin blocks with the hawk on top Even if the old ladies love to call the cops I got guns

[Lil' Fame] You got, he got, they got M dot, O dot, P my nigga we got guns Big ones, extra large heat Humongous shit that won't fit up under your car seat Pop in a heart beat Keep the cannon in my reach Lay you flat on your back like you was tannin on the beach We keep them damn thangs full of hollows And I'm from Christopher bitch, bang with the Wallace Fit raw this nigga you ain't loco You're buttocks big boy, your heart pumps Sunoco Brownsville deep in my genes I show you +bad boy+ for real, keep thinkin shit is +Peaches and Cream+ We'll run you down, MO-Ps hunt ya down Gun ya down, guns sing like blaow Raise up cock pot my biscuit for my nigga O.G. had quick shit We got guns

[Hook]
We got, we got, they got (GUNS!)

Crazy ill, man rowdy
I gots it locked
Bringin the noise, bringin the funk, pop the lock
But only if you feel this shit
We got, we got, they got (GUNS!)
Crazy ill, man rowdy
I gots it locked
Bringin the noise, bringin the funk

#### [Guru]

Nowadays my priorities ain't based on fun I'm tryna cop some more property and in case of them guns Sick society's got Guru protectin his fam Fuck Prudential, I got my own protection plan Respect me man, I'm on a mission so to speak You're too dumb to play your position so unique I'll trade 'way your meat faggot vacate the streets GangStarr, First Fam, and TS, we way deep And even if you had a thought to move on us Our fire power will devour, bitch you'll chew on dust Slow death, no rep, hollows have you gaspin You rich just for you, he got a lavish casket Call us savage bastards usin all means necessary It's only customary It's you we got to bury We'll dead your homo thug network Head shots make your head jerk My marks-men/man on the roof, he's an expert

#### [Billy Danze]

Who got a problem? It's already been established I'll come through your town with a pound like a savage Still throwin down on the grounds that I'm average Can I hear for a gangster? YEAH NIGGA It's always some shit but it's always a clip to re-route your doubts and see what you about Your homeboy's a snitch and your bossman's a bitch We takin over these bricks (IS THAT SO?) Doin underhanded shit, I'll shoot you in your abdomen You fraud, you're movin like a broad with this faggot shit And you deserve a hole in the back of your motherfuckin head the doctor can't fix on the concrete, we palm heat like soldiers Spit one in your whip and flip your shit over Keep in mind whatever the nine spit It's only as good as the nigga behind it bitch We got guns

"Capture (Malitia Pt. 3)" (feat. Big Shug, Freddie Foxxx)

[DJ Premier]

[Big Shug] "Give a nigga pain"
[Guru] "Listen to a brother who knows"
[Big Shug] "Give a nigga pain"
"It's the real...it's the Militia"

### [Big Shug]

First name vete-, last name -ran
I drop bombs hit you with the curse of ?Jevron?
Broken arms, shattered glasses, whipped asses
I advise you to tell us where the cash is
Itchy fingers cause nothing but gun fire
We disallow all these cats in the camp
We the champs, not really to boast and brag
Bustin' heads, body bags and toe tags
Black mags to blow your whole chest in half
If you don't know the equation then you can't do the math
I know you cram to understand the plan, but you too
Caught up in the rapture, front and we will capture
See men and strap ya, cock back and blast ya
Blow up your fuckin' house while we still lookin' at ya
Militia man...man part three

#### [DJ Premier]

"Put your money in the bank, and hold rank"

[Big Shug] "Give a nigga pain"

[Guru] "Listen to a brother who knows"

"I push these lyrics through any emcee

[Freddie Foxxx] and make it burn (burn)"

"Put your money in the bank, and hold rank"

[Big Shug] "Give a nigga pain"

[Guru] "Listen to a brother who knows"

[Freddie Foxxx] "It's the militia"

# [Guru]

Just to feed the babies I'll infect you like rabies
With a lust for the gravy, you know the god must be crazy
I'm sick with it, I'm built with stilts for you midgets
While you fidget, you could get kill't for your digits
I'll creep on the low, keep it a secret yo
I swore an oath to dump on you, out the Jeep window
I don't care if you a geek or a thug, you sleepin' on us
And you could catch it, some royal heat from the snub
Since the streets is watchin' niggaz might see us often
We told you rap cats we would keep it poppin'
See all I got is a lot of bad news for y'all

You're gonna need more than a lot of tattoos on y'all
You got an army, you still ain't got no wins against us
You're gonna need more than doo rags and Timb's against us
And fuck your goons 'cause we always get what we're after
We bought you this book of torture, this one is Capture

#### [DJ Premier]

"Put your money in the bank, and hold rank"

[Big Shug] "Give a nigga pain"

[Guru] "Listen to a brother who knows"

[Freddie Foxxx] "It's the militia"

### [Freddie Foxxx]

There's one ripped out the frame, felony act Everybody get the fuck up, welcome me back I'm the unseen hand that controls 200 niggaz Parked while on the street out of unseen vans I'm the law of the land, the rawness of man That'll show up on stage, puffin' on contraband Capture, duct tape rapture, slapped ya Served up my Venus and Serenas, cocked back Clapped ya - to Internet emcees I'm virus I'm a warrior, niggaz screamin' "Bumpy shot Cyrus" I'm checked in to every hotel that you lay in Niggaz come to my suite to pick up heat Y'all know who wrote the bible in rap, for keepin it real Y'all know who buck fifty your face, I'm keepin concealed It's capture, get out the truck, I'm keepin' your wheels You've ??, 'cause you've got a gun you never conceal I leave my hardcore demeanor in every rap arena And underground club that I play in I spit raw verses that y'all ain't sayin' 'Cause your soul was bought for what they payin' You wanna have Bumpy's heart you got to have Bumpy's chest I'll bust right 'till I find just Bumpy left I'll bust mics 'till I have just enough breath To take your heart, it's thug grand death CAPTURE!

#### "PLAYTAWIN"

[scratching by Premier]
"Y'all cats know we always play to win" -> Guru
"Players get your pay up"

#### [Verse 1: Guru]

For my respect, I just might have to shut you down Hang your punk ass from a limb, they'll have to cut you down See I'm tired of you faggots kickin dirt on my name While you rap clone phonies only hurtin the game I'm too persistant, plus I flow too vicious Bout to expose you hoes, this shit is too twisted Rappers be actin, like they rich or somethin When they get robbed like a herb, that's what they get for frontin I'm in the top ten, one of the best of all time Been known to drop men - who CARES if the rest of y'all rhyme? You're mediocre son, you're barely average kid Your style's Chi-Chi, wanna see me crack yo' cabbage kid? From the hood to the corporate, give up your goods and forfeit This is George Foreman style, watch me cook this raw shit More chips, watch us rake 'em in And y'all cats know we always play to win

[scratching by Premier]
[Guru] "Y'all cats know we always play to win"
"Real.. rough rhymes"
[Guru] "Y'all cats know we always play to win"
"Players get your pay up"

### [Verse 2: Guru]

I'm hot so they're feelin me, you're not so you're killin me You're hatin on the low, tried to block my soliloquy While you spread rumors, I'ma dead you junior Have your mind blown, poundin your dome like head tumors Family tradition when I'm randomly spittin And girls love my voice, they say it's handsomely different I never won awards, no Grammys and things Back in the days did sticks, made niggaz hand me they rings What goes around comes around, they tried me later But I survived all the thugged out, grimey capers My concepts caused more panic than bomb threats Don't take me for granted because I'm calm and shit Cause when I FLIP, I'ma take over the ship Controllin this grip with one hand holdin my dick And you try to counter but you're way too late again See y'all cats know we always play to win

[scratching by Premier]

[Guru] "Y'all cats know we always play to win"
"Real.. rough rhymes"
[Guru] "Y'all cats know we always play to win"
"Players.. players.. players get your pay up"

[Verse 3: Guru]

It's the God Universal, Ruler Universal
I'm still goin strong in this game, and you should learn to
R-E-S, P-E-C-T

Or you get fucked up, be-lieve you me
And I ain't the one to be, startin the violence
I'm just the one to be, sparkin in silence
For years I ran with some of the greatest men
And y'all cats know we always play to win

[scratching by Premier]
[Guru] "Y'all cats know we always play to win"
"Real.. rough rhymes"
[Guru] "Y'all cats know we always play to win"
"Y'all cats know we always play to win"

#### "Riot Akt"

[DJ Premier scratches children laughing and yelling]

[Chorus: Guru]

Riot act, this is where we really prepare
Riot act, out here we show no fear
RIOT ACT, time to protect our communities
Riot act, real criminals get immunity
RIOT ACT, eye for an eye - so yo who want it?
RIOT ACT, rushin all you cowards who fronted
Riot act, let's bring the power to the people
RIOT ACT, no justice then we gotta come see you

### [Verse 1: Guru]

Just like a thunderous gun clap, you wonder who done that Put you under with one rap, me and the brothers have come back We'll lash you for tryin that, we know you been lyin cat So now you be lyin flat, we'll read you the riot act Whassup you little fuck, get your life right Cause there's too much goin in the world, and shit ain't quite right See you're just addin to the problem Young gun, high-strung, ready to trey-eight revolve 'em Knot nearly in your waist, you step up in the place Catch one off guard, he lookin silly in the face But hear they come with the M-16's They got teargas, helmets and clubs - knahmean? It's martial law in these streets It's like Afghanistan man, it's gettin raw in the streets Still you demand your rights, I understand your plight But do the knowledge if you plan to fight

#### [Chorus]

#### [Verse 2: Guru]

So realize what it is to be oppressed and afflicted
Subjected to sick shit, knowin others live different
FUCK THAT, the streets about to blow again
They forgot, so we gotta let 'em know again
Huh, we'll blast you for tryin that, we know you been lyin cat
So now you be lyin flat, we'll read you the riot act
Soldiers, let's show these cowards what's up
The hood ain't goin for it, let's get ours, that's what's up
Be sure to keep a balance to your fight
And do the math, figure how to use your talents in a fight
Ain't nuttin worse than a rebel without a cause
Ain't nuttin worse than a people without laws
200 million square miles under attack
Reperations for us blacks, hell yeah, they need to come with that

Who's gonna take the weight, and erase the hate All I know is when we come through, better make some space

### [Chorus]

[Verse 3: Guru]

A lot of people ain't happy you can tell by their ways It's growin tense okay, I can smell it today Tenement buildings house the next killers While rich diplomats, are purchasin their next villas But for the scrilla and power, uhh They'll send some killers to their hood, that are iller than ours Still niggaz settle beef, with the metal piece And every block stays hot, like the devil's feet Incarceration of the mind, police brutality and poverty These are realities of mankind And we can't win nigga, if we keep shuckin and jivin In a minute, they gon' have us duckin and divin They got bullets for us [automatic fire] yeah, uh-huh They got jail cells and graveyards, they the bullies, not us We'll blast you for tryin that, we know you been lyin cat So now you be lyin flat, cause this is the riot act

[Chorus]

"(Hiney)" (feat. Panch)

Nah you know what we gotta do? We gotta do - HINEY!

The bitch said, "Panch stand behind me
And put that monster in my hiney," HI-NEY!
My dick about killin, never been about game
When there wasn't pussy, there was always my haind
Nine and a half-'ll get you in a dame
Anything less is just a GOD DAMN SHAME!
Check my balls, my shit got blue wrinkles on the face
.. for them bitches who had the nerve to put me out they place
In they HINEY

The bitch said, "Panch stand behind me
And put that monster in my hiney," HI-NEY!
I come through your block, with that one-eye whistle
One hand on the whistle
One.. one-eyed monster hit you
Make it slick, BITCH, my dick game's OFFICIAL!
Lose your weight and, I don't leave you waitin
The world is earthquakin
My balls got yo' ass shakin - it's hiney jack!

UH-OH! HINEY!
The bitch said, "Panch stand behind me

And put that monster in my hiney," HI-NEY!

[imitating the beat] When I bust a nut, it say [imitating the beat] On her HINEY!

[laughter and applause]

(That's some brilliant shiznit, yo! Aiyyo!)

"Same Team, No Games" (feat. H. Staxx, NYG'z)

### [NYG'z]

Yo, do the knowledge to the master build the blow and the spliff The new millennium, hide them a beef Gotta watch what I say to you niggaz so I calm my patience 'Cause the shit ain't really pass the statue of limitations The streets still holler about how strong I am Niggaz I hurt still holler about how wrong I am As a little nigger broke, thinking soda and coke Had me amazed how my steady hand kept in the flow Let it sit, cool and heart lit, hit the set cool and heartless In front of the store projects, as long as I made a profit I see you eyeing me, you fire escape diary Filled with pages of episodes and shying me Nonbeliever I hammer for hire Hit yo ass so hard that your coke will catch fire Dog the stakes are dyer, I'm no liar Hold the court and the street beef cause I got pride

### [H. Staxx]

Same team no games, these chicks I blow brains Rap-a-lot soul train the corners rocking cocaine Got no shame

Trying to blow these figures
Headquarters gone he ain't left he still with us
Not in the physical through us he live
I can seen him with Big L, Pun, Pac and BIG
Watching over the kid like dear shed the waist over
And yelling "Ether", "Blowout" and "Takeover"
I'm the truth; give you proof and your video shoot
Pull them candors on you while them cameras on you
How you love that

Don't want to blow with Staxx
So go ahead dumb up, make me car crumb up
"It's the Militia"

Yall niggaz don't know about I

Got me heated, frustrated about to blow my high

Me and Benz blazing, Rave got the gauge raising

Sick of talking about it, niggaz ain't on my weight lift

#### [NYG'z]

Whenever we stand together, down for whatever
Divided we get at you from more angles
Gangstarr forbid, NYG's same team no games
Love is love fame one in the same
Corny style, niggers act strange going against the grain
Don't want to see us on top of our thing, we adapt to change

Fame, fortune and material game, flow natural unrestrained
Let me explain, niggers don't get it until you set it to flame
Subject them to pain, make them respect
The name, the set you rep, connects you get
Stay ready to bang
Steps ahead of competitors that'll test your aim
H. Staxx shoot back splat dang your brain
My foundation bust gats spread there's your brain
Fuck with mine, spat not take the blame
Play it for keeps, we came to win

#### [Guru]

YO, I'm the Jerry Rice to this, much too nice to guit And just so you know, we never liked you kid Since you ain't wanna let niggers eat I'm gonna convene with my team before We gotta let the trigger speak 'Cause nowadays yall rappers are carbon Copies paws are sloppy, still its hard to stop me Especially when I connect with my man, rep for my fam We taking back the rest of our land And we don't really care if they say you are the shit They playing your hits We about to make our way in this biz And let's see if the gimmick last until the next season In a flash, take your stupid ass out, give me the next reason Flip for my peoples here, spit for my peoples here Yeah... time to get rich with my peoples here Cut of a snake's head, then we break bread Same team, no games You underground trying to fake dead

[scratching by DJ Premier repeats]
Let, let, let the games begin

"In This Life..."

(feat. Snoop Dogg, Uncle Reo)

[all (sung parts) in Chorus performed by Uncle Reo]

[DJ Premier] Word up Aiyyo Rome' (yo)

Yo life ain't what it's cracked up to be these days, y'knahmean?

[Rome]

Word! Knahmsayin? Life hard out this muh'fucker, y'knahmsayin?

[DJ Premier]

So you gotta make the best of a bad situation, and hold your head

[Rome]

Knahmsayin? You gotta progress through the struggle man

[Chorus]

[Guru] In this life.. (ohhh, this life)
[DJ P] "You better wake up"
[Guru] In this life.. (talkin bout this life)
[DJ P] "R-R-Remember this"
[Guru] In this life.. (whoah-ohhh)
[DJ P] [Nas] "S-S-Survival of the fittest"
[Guru] In this life..
[DJ P] "I go all out" - "Y'knahmsayin?"

[Verse 1: Guru]

From New York to Cali it remains the same Bitch niggaz always wanna go against the grain The strong will survive, the weak shall perish Y'all need more courage, I keep y'all nourished Get in line, I let you know right now You need to slow right down or you get blown right now From what I see it's systematic how we push to addicts Demographics make the street life hell or drastic In the hood we see oppressive genocide Cause if it's on it's on, you know at least 10 men'll ride But on the other side, corruption runs deep I'm aware of the conspiricies, discussion is brief They're building more prisons, spendin less on schools On the block Smith & Wess-ons and Teflons rule It's hard to escape it, certain laws are sacred In this life my nigga, it's mad hard to make it

[Chorus]

[Guru] In this life..
[Dogg] Money is key

[Dogg] And everybody you see ain't what they claim to be [Guru] In this life..

[Dogg] I try to do right

[Dogg] I live a treacherous life, I know I ain't right, mm [Guru] In this life..

[Dogg] You got to keep on
[Dogg] You got to be strong, you got to hold on
[Guru] In this life, heh, I come in peace
[Guru] But still yo, I come from the streets

[Verse 2: Snoop Dogg]

This one's for my sons and my lil' daughter
Peace to JMJ and my nigga Headquarters
A (GangStarr) with a gangster, on a mission
World (Premier), limited edition
My mind keeps driftin cause I haven't had a spliff in
a long time, I'm doin fine, I feel teriffic
I bop up the street, C-walk to the beat
It's cold outdoors, so I got to keep some heat
I never know when a cutthroat gon' try to test me
Disrespect me, things could get messy
Yes he, shoot a good game, like James
I mean Jesse, watch out nigga, heavens to Betsies
The big drum beater

With a car full of heaters and some fly senoritas
In some Stacy's or some Chucks, cause I gotsta keep it G'd up
Run up on the Dogg man you bound to get beat up

#### [Chorus]

[Guru] In this life.. (ohhh, this life, I'm tryin to make it better)

[DJ P] "You better wake up"

[Guru] In this life.. (I won't have to struggle no mo', no I won't)

[DJ P] "R-R-Remember this"

[Guru] In this life.. (ohhh, this life, this life)

[DJ P] [Nas] "S-S-Survival of the fittest"

[Guru] In this life.. (tryin to make it better, yes I am)

[Outro: Uncle Reo]
Ooooohhh, talkin bout this life
WhoahhhOHHHHHHHHHH, this life, this life.. [fades out]

"The Ownerz"

[DJ Premier]
"One-two.."

"One-two, shots to the chin.. knock you out"
"One-two.." "Devestating!" "On da mic"
"One-two.." "The maker, owner!"
"Come on, now come on"

#### [Verse 1: Guru]

Got you quiddear and ski-dared, fearin what we might do
And you can give me all mine in cash, that will suffice dude
In the streets deep, we roll through the city
Looks like it's time to eat, so yo who's with me?
Strictly, we keep it in the best perspective
Cause nowadays it's more than simply live and let live
A sedative, that's what these headcases need
Them rats'll get trapped soon as they taste the cheese
Black M. Casey fan, just pay us and scram
Watch us drop a new supply to up the daily demand
Phony critics wanna retract shit, once I spit again
And since we didn't finish the job, you gettin hit again

#### [DJ Premier]

"One-two.." "Devestating!" "On da mic"
"One-two, one-two, shots to the chin.. knock you out"
"One-two.." "Devestating!" "On da mic"
"One-two, one-two" "The maker, owner!"
"Come on, now come on"

### [Verse 2: Guru]

You fuck, you didn't listen when I told you before When it comes to dope tracks, we be holdin the raw Do somethin stupid, and you'll be left holdin your jaw Put you punks on blast for not knowin the law Don't deny yourself, learn to apply yourself Or end up by yourself, I multiply the wealth I got the titles, deeds, licenses and policies Complete ownership, Don Gurizzu they call me Primo said that we should just, lock it all down See the bigger picture, so we can profit all around Now everybody's ridin the dick, once I spit again And since we didn't finish the job, you gettin hit again

#### [DJ Premier]

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#### "Come on, now come on"

### [Verse 3: Guru]

I be the owner of this style, owner of this talk, owner of this art

Peep the gully way that I walk

Many say that I rock, others hate but they jock

Now we racin the clock, po-po casin the spot

Call me greedy cause I feel like takin a lot

Vindication, cause they be fabricatin a lot

From Cali to Canarsie, penthouse to the lobby

Roxbury to NC, Century Club to envy

Bout to take over the action, you know it's bout to happen

Cause our shit be hittin, and yours is plain ol'fashioned

I had no choice, but to spit again

GangStarr motherfucker, and you just got hit again

### [DJ Premier]

"One-two.." "Devestating!" "On da mic"
"One-two, one-two, shots to the chin.. knock you out"
"One-two.." "Devestating!" "On da mic"
"One-two, one-two" "The maker, owner!"
"Come on, now come on"

"Come on, now come on"

#### "Zonin'"

[Inhaling and coughing]
[Premier] Yo, you alright man? .. You zonin?
[scratched:] "I.. I speak that.."
[Premier] what's the deal?
[scratched:] "I speak that re-real shit, just listen"

[Verse 1: Guru] Yo I pop your lid, I got to live I ain't tall but I can show y'all what a problem is I like to zone, I'm nice with chrome I keep a vast stash of Magnums cause I like to bone I play the game, I stay the same But I can switch styles, pick files, I'm like gravy train Shot the witness, got the bitches Still in the streets with my heat about to shock the business I handle biz. I cancel kids Just like Allen I'ma show 'em what "The Answer" is I'm after props, I spaz a lot And yo I'm deadin all the bullshit 'til my casket drops You know me boy, you owe me boy You wanna end up in my trunk dyin slowly boy? I'm confident, I'm on some shit Cause I been knowin already you was on the dick I'm zonin

[Chorus x2: DJ Premier scratching]
"Down with the Foundation"
[Guru] "Step into my zone, mad rhymes'll stifle ya"
[DMX] "No time for games cause I'm, all grown up"
"I speak that re-real shit, just listen"

[Verse 2: Guru]

It's conspiracy, you hearin me? That's why I get love
And still got others fearin me
You never know, who's next to blow
And since it's me, I'ma stash me some extra dough
Got extra flow, chicks give me sex and dough
Need I, mention P.I. player let me know
I'm down with dis, I founded this
So you should recognize the true authentic sound of this
The golden voice, holdin toys
But not playin, Guru and Preem', we like the golden boys
The chain and star, I'm angry pah
Cause you fucks ain't wanna give us what we aimin for
You stupid son, I shoot my gun
From the heart fool, you know that's where this music from
Protect your dome, respect the throne

# This is Guru and Premier, and you can bet it's on I'm zonin

[Chorus]

"Eulogy"

[Child's voice]
"word up kid!"

[Premier] Yeah L.B., Bryan Moier I miss you man rest in peace To Endeara Bishop Rest in peace little lady To Claira Stewart I love you Aunt Ploute To the coffe boy Arden Franklin Rest in peace Res My nigga Headquarters Head up eyes and ears open Word is bond! Jam Master J, Big L Big Lee, Flamboyant for life Aaliyah, Mad Mark Boogie down Bronx P. O., Left Eye

#### [Guru]

The emotions that one goes thourgh, over a loss of a loved one Or friend then, knowing the cost of rebuilding and carrying on It gets so damn hard in this modern day Babylon And disease runs rampant, so many men carry arm So many have a lonely painful road to travel on Mothers losing sons, improper use of guns Children go astray because their parents were abusive ones I used to run with the illest guys Thourgh the realest eyes I seen the realest and the illest die The cycle continues, so many times the good ones The young ones So many misunderstood ones Remembering their faces and voices And when the wise man said Life is full of choices Some get caught up, others are innocent victims All I know is they were close to us, and that we miss them

I'm not sure about any of these names

[Premier]

Easy E , Big Pun

Lil Bro, East New York

Dorothy Clark, Sydney Clark Junior "Rest in peace"

Clarence Elam, Charles Elam
Omar Pitts, D. J. Threat
Big Mellow, D. J. Screw
Aunt Nettie "Rest in peace"
Uncle Frank, Harold Guy
Poetic, Gravediggaz
Fred Jordan, Ted Dimmy
G. B. Greg Box "Rest in peace"
Taheim Cambell
Watch over your big brother
Bumpy Knucks
Yeah!

Harry Stricklin, Merla Santana "Rest in peace"
Rod Roshodm, Gerald Wichard
Huey Beckam, Marie Clem
Tony Malvow, Paula Crutchfield
Ann Cambell "Rest in peace"
Reverand Van Johnson, Coach Hoover Wright
Valerie Wilson, Ura Wilson
Jacob Boier, Weldon Irvine "Rest in peace"
Yeah! Hoover Carden
Corey Stringer, Malik Sealy
Boostin Kev, Edward Star
Nina Simone, Ann Jones "Rest in peace"